

# COGNITIVE SYSTEMS, FORENSIC SCIENCES, MATHEMATICS, & PHARMACOLOGY CO-OP

## **Information Session**

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#### We will begin shortly...

- This session will be recorded
- Please turn your <u>cameras off</u> and <u>mute</u> yourself
- Let me know which program you are in by filling out the poll
- Please save your questions until the end of the presentation  $\bigcirc$

# Science Co-op







#### Today, we will be discussing:

- 1. What is Co-op?
- 2. Co-op Application Process
- 3. Co-op Schedule/Timeline
- 4. Examples of Co-op Jobs
- 5. Questions

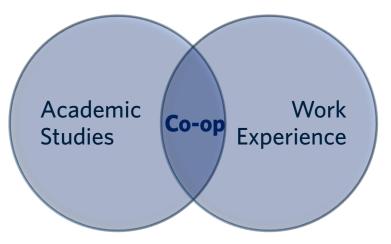
# What is Co-op? Program Introduction



## WHAT IS CO-OP?



Co-operative Education (Co-op) is an opportunity to integrate your academic studies with relevant, paid work experience.



In the Co-op program you would alternate between **academic study terms** and **co-op work terms**. Co-op work terms are:

- Paid
- Full-time (Typically 35-40 hours per week)
- Relevant to your academic field of study

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# WHY PARTICIPATE IN CO-OP?

There are multiple benefits to participating in the Co-op Program:



Improve Your Resume





Earn \$\$\$ For Tuition



Expand Your Professional Network



Build Your Confidence



## WHAT DOES MY CO-OP COORDINATOR DO?



Job Search Skills Training

- Resume
- Cover Letter
- Interviews
- Job Search Strategies
- Etc.



Student Appointments

- Career Advising
- Resume/Cover
   Letter Review
- Practice Interview



**Employer Relations** 

- Job Offer Handling
- Develop
   Employment
   Opportunities



Performance Management

- Co-op Check-In Meetings (CCM)
- Address
   Workplace
   Questions and
   Concerns

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## **JOB SEARCH SKILLS TRAINING**



To assist you in succeeding in your Co-op Job Search, the following Co-op Workshops will be offered:

- Resume & Cover Letter Writing
- Job Search Strategies
- Interview Skills
- Transitioning into the Workplace
- Recognizing Discrimination, Bullying, and Harassment in the Workplace

All workshops are MANDATORY and to be completed prior to your job search



### Expectations

- Complete all workshops before getting access to job search portal
- Actively engage in the job search
- Be open and flexible to job opportunities
- Adhere to the Science Co-op Program <u>Terms & Conditions</u>

#### Fees

- Administration and Workshop fee: one-time fee (\$272.00)\*
- Co-op fee: payable for each 4-month work term that you have secured a job (\$838.00)\*
  - You are not charged the Co-op fee if you haven't secured a job

\*Note: Co-op fees are subject to change based on the <u>UBC Academic Calendar</u>



# How Can I Apply? Application Process



## **GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**



- Be enrolled in the appropriate and corresponding major to the Co-op program you are applying to
- Have a minimum average of around B- (68%)
- Be a full-time UBC (Vancouver) student in good academic standing
- Demonstrate:
  - Good communication skills, and a responsible, mature attitude
  - Leadership, teamwork, and time management
  - Interest in your chosen field
- Be flexible and willing to accept a work placement outside the Lower Mainland
- Have a minimum of 30 credits remaining in your degree, excluding the current term (at the time of application)

## PROGRAM SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS: LIFE SCIENCES



## Cognitive Systems (Brain and Cognition)

 No specific course requirements but check the <u>recommended courses</u> on the Cognition and Brain Science Co-op program web page

### **Forensic Sciences**

• Currently enrolled in BIOC 301

### Pharmacology

• No specific course requirements as the required courses will be taken as part of the Pharmacology program and academic schedule

## PROGRAM SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS: COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCES



Cognitive Systems (Computational Intelligence and Design)

- Completed CPSC 110 (or CPSC 103 and 107)
- Completed or be in the process of completing CPSC 121 and CPSC 210 at the time of application (or have completed transfer equivalents)

## Mathematics and Mathematical Sciences

- Completed or be in the process of completing MATH 221, MATH 210 (or CPSC 210) at the time of application (or have completed transfer equivalents)
- Mathematical Sciences students also need to complete STAT 200 in addition to the above requirements
- BA Students: MATH 221, CPSC 210, ECON 325, ECON 326, ECON 323 (optional)



## **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**



- Can international students apply to/participate in Co-op?
  - Yes, you can!
- Co-op fees and application process are the same for both international and domestic students.
  - However, certain job opportunities may have citizenship requirements.
- International students need a Co-op Work Permit to work in Canada
  - The Science Co-op Office will provide guidance on applying for your Co-op
    Work Permit

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## **APPLICATION PROCESS**



via Science Co-op Website: sciencecoop.ubc.ca

#### Application Deadline: Tuesday, October 3, 2023

- Cognitive Systems (Cognition and Brain), Forensic Sciences, Pharmacology
  - Admission Results: November 2023
- Cognitive Systems (Computational Intelligence and Design), Mathematics, Mathematical Sciences
  - Admissions Results: January 2024

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## **APPLICATION DOCUMENTS**



Apply online via Science Co-op Website: sciencecoop.ubc.ca

What you will need to apply:

- 1. Application Form
- 2. Resume
- 3. Non-UBC Post-Secondary Transcripts
  - Unofficial transcripts/screenshots are ok to submit
  - High school transcripts are not needed
  - UBC Transcripts will be reviewed via SISC/SSC (no need to submit)

Please combine all of your documents into one PDF before submitting



## **HOW ARE APPLICATIONS ASSESSED?**









Transcript	Online Application	Resume	Intake Interview
• Grades Requirement	<ul> <li>Quality of Application Responses</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Work/Volunteer</li> <li>Experience</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Communication Skills</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Academic Standing</li> </ul>	Written	Projects	Attitude
	Communication Skills	<ul> <li>Extracurricular Activities</li> </ul>	Professionalism

Note: You will be notified 3-4 weeks after the application if you have been invited for an Intake Interview.

# When Will I Be Working? Co-op Schedule and Timeline





## **CO-OP SCHEDULE:**

The following Co-op schedule applies to the programs below:

- Cognitive Systems (Computational Intelligence & Design)
- Year 2 Mathematics/Mathematical Sciences

Year	Fall	Winter	Summer
1	Study Term 1	Study Term 2	-
2	Study Term 3 + apply to Co-op	Study Term 4	- + Co-op Job Search
3	Work Term 1	Work Term 2	Work Term 3
4	Study Term 5	Study Term 6	Work Term 4
5	Study Term 7	Study Term 8	-



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- Forensic Science
- Cognitive Systems (Cognition and Brain)
- Year 3 Mathematics/Mathematical Sciences

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2	Study Term 3	Study Term 4	-
3	Study Term 5 + Apply for Co-op	Study Term 6 + Co-op Job Search	Work Term 1
4	Work Term 2	Work Term 3	Work Term 4
5	Study Term 7	Study Term 8	-

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# Science Co-op Co-op Job Examples



## **CO-OP JOB EXAMPLES: LIFE SCIENCES**

#### **Employers:**

- Acuitas Therapeutics
- adMare BioInnovations
- BC Children's Hospital / BC Children's Hospital Research Institute
- Center for Heart Lung Innovation
- Health Canada
- Vancouver Coastal Health Research Institute
- St. Paul's Hospital
- STEMCELL TECHNOLOGIES
- Non-Invasive Neurostimulation Therapies Laboratory (NINET)
- UBC Faculty of Medicine
- UBC Psychiatry

## ... AND MORE!!

#### **Roles:**

- Analytical Chemist
- Research Assistant
- Lab Technician
- Analytics and Cognitive Intern in Consulting
- QA Co-op
- Clinical Research Coordinator Student
- Bioinformatics Research Assistant
- Drug Delivery & Formulations Co-op Student





## **CO-OP JOB EXAMPLES: COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCES**

#### **Employers:**

- Absolute Software Corporation
- Amazon
- Clio
- Visier Inc.
- Paragon Testing Enterprises Inc.
- Samsung
- Realtor.com
- Ledgerdocs
- IBM Canada
- Tesla

## ... AND MORE!!

#### • Roles:

- UX/UI Intern
- Data Co-op
- QA Tester
- Web Developer
- Software Developer
- Data Scientist/Analyst





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